



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE: MUR 4516

Beshear for U.S. Senate Committee, Charles L. Stiver, CPA,  
Treasurer; Kentucky State Democratic Central Executive Committee Federal and  
Non-Federal Committees, Darryl Tattrie, Treasurer; Minnick for Senate, Gardner  
W. Skinner, Jr., Treasurer; Democratic Party of Oregon Federal and Non-Federal  
Committees, Carl Hosticka, Treasurer; and State Democratic Executive  
Committee of Alabama Federal and Non-Federal Committees, Anthony J. Fani,  
Treasurer

Dear Messrs. Bauer and Elias:

On October 23, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against your clients. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in the matter on October 25, 2000.

The confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record prior to receipt of your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record when received.

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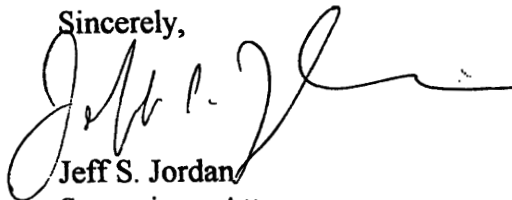
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If you have any questions, please contact Alva E. Smith on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff S. Jordan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jeff S. Jordan

Supervisory Attorney

Central Enforcement Docket

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